

## **Introduction and Overview**

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### **Outline**

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- Review of Climate Program Jim O'Brien
- Agricultural Research & Extension Jim Jones
- Water Resources Research Upton Hatch
- Decision Analysis Dave Letson

### **SECC Members**

- University of Miami
- Florida State University
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- Auburn University
- University of Alabama -- Huntsville

### **SECC Goal**

The goal of the SECC is to develop climate information and decision support systems for the Southeastern USA that will contribute to an improved quality of life, increased profitability, decreased economic risks, and more ecologically sustainable management of agriculture, forestry, and water resources

# **SECC Organization**



Climate

Agriculture

Water Resources Decision Analysis

### **Extension Faculty**

**Climate Extension Specialists State Climatologists Prototype** *AgClimate* 

Agricultural & Forest Commodity Specialists

### **Information Delivery**

Cooperative Extension Services **AgClimate** Extension Agents

CoastalClimate.org

HydroClimate (future DSS?)

#### **Decision Makers**

Agricultural producers

Green industry managers

Forest managers

Water resource managers

Policy makers

## **Executive Committee**

- The SECC Executive Committee, which is composed of the PI from each member institution and the coordinator, meets monthly through video/teleconference.
- ➤ The Executive Committee provides overall guidance to the SECC.

## Semi-annual PI-CoPI Meetings

- Since May 2004 all SECC personnel have met twice yearly.
  - Spring program review
  - ☐ Fall planning, strategic and operational
- Meeting location rotates among members.
- Our next PI-CoPI meeting will be 7-9 June in Auburn, AL.

# **SECC Strategy**

- Five programs
  - Climate
  - Agricultural research
  - Water resources research
  - Decision analysis
  - Agricultural extension

## Program Teams

- We have designated a leader for each program.
- Depending on needs, program teams meet as often as monthly via video conference or in conjunction with other meetings. As appropriate, partners may also participate in team meetings.
- Program teams have developed a strategic plan, which serves as a guide when we develop annual work plans.

## A challenge

- Funding
  - Under funding of Auburn University, University of Alabama – Huntsville, and University of Georgia.
  - Coordinator position is only half funded by NOAA.